

To: HEC/DPA Award Recipients FSP-09-02

From: Community Development Department

Date: September 21, 2009

Re: HEC/DPA Policy Changes #3

IHCDA has decided to make the following policy changes to the HEC/DPA program effective <u>immediately</u>:

- Currently, under award terms, homeownership education and pre-purchase counseling must be spent in the first 24 months of the award. The new requirement will allow for homeownership education and pre-purchase counseling to be spent in the first 29 months of the award (March 31, 2010).
- Currently, under award terms, down payment assistance must be spent in the first 24 months of the award. The new requirement will allow for down payment assistance to be spent in the first 29 months of the award (March 31, 2010).
- Currently, under curriculum requirements, post-purchase counseling must be completed no earlier than 90 days (3 months) and no later than 180 days (6 months) after closing. The new requirement is that post-purchase counseling must be completed no later than 30 days (1 month) after closing.

We hope these changes will open up the door for assisting a larger number of individuals and families. If you have any questions regarding this memo, please contact Mike Recker at 317-234-2305.